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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: QUELLET et al.
Serial No.: 09/756,925
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Examiner: Gina C. Yu
Art Group: 1619
Title: COMPOSITE MATERIALS

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Commissioner for Patents
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27 December 2004

Dear Sir;

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

This paper is responsive to the Office Action (Final Rejection) dated 26.Aug.2004, and is being filed in accompaniment with a *Request for Continued Application*.

Prior to consideration of the *Request for Continued Examination* (RCE), please amend the above-identified application as indicated below.